Cecil County, and Thomas Franklin a Member elected for Baltimore U. H. J. County in order to See them Qualified, who severally take the Oaths December 9 to the Governmt required by Law repeat and Subscribe the Abiuration & Test and then withdraw.

His Excellency is Pleased to communicate to this house the following Message

Gentlemen of the Upper house of Assembly

The melancholy News of the Death of the Prince of Wales, not ariving time enough to be communicated to the last Assembly You may not perhaps think it yet too late to Joyn in a General Address to the King, expressing Our great Grief and Sorrow on this ever to be lamented Occasion: and Our Gratitude and Thankfulness to his Majesty for his paternal Care and Goodness in Providing for the General Safety of his Dominions, and the Security of the Protestant Religion by establishing the Regency in the Hands of Her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales, in Case the Crown of these Realms should descend to any of the Issue of his late Royal highness the Prince of Wales before they shall attain the age of Eighteen Years.

Sam: Ogle

Benjamin Tasker Esq. attended by the Members of this House Presents to his Excellency the Address of this house, which follows in these words.

To His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq. Governor and Commander in Chief in & over the Province of Maryland.

The Humble Address of the Upper house of Assembly May it Please Your Excellency

We are truly Sensible and heartily Joyn with Your Excellency in Condolance of the late melancholy Event, which has occasioned this Meeting of Assembly, and indeed every man who has at heart the Trade and Prosperity of Great Britain and especially of her Colonies, must feel with concern the Loss of Our late Noble and Worthy Proprietary, whose Inclinations and Interest concurred so Strongly in Promoting their happiness that it were only to be wished his Power in rendering it compleat had equalled either of these Motives

We Return Your Excellency Sincere Thanks in consoling Us for this Loss by that Agreeable and just Representation You are pleased to make of what may be reasonably Hoped, from the Good Sense & p. 400 other Promising Qualities of Our present Lord Proprietary.

Your Excellencys Conduct and readiness in Promoting the Welfare of this Province can leave no Room to doubt but that you are throughly Convinced of the Proprietarys real Interest, and that of the Country being the same; and that the Riches of his Tenants must

be a Source of Interest to his own